

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended). A non-woven material comprising
  - a) a web of fibers; and
  - b) an aqueous emulsion binder comprising a water-dispersible polymer which is non-dispersible in aqueous solutions containing 0.5 weight percent or more of an inorganic salt, wherein said water-dispersible polymer comprises from 1 to 100 percent by weight of a hydrophilic monomer and from 0 to 99 percent by weight of at least one non-hydrophilic monomer, wherein a film formed from said polymer has a Tg of from -40 to +105°C, wherein the water-dispersible polymers are dispersible without the addition of any additives, wherein the binder is applied to the web of fibers at a solids level of from 2 to 60 percent, ~~and~~ wherein said material has a wet tensile strength in 3 percent aqueous inorganic salt solution of at least 100 g/in, and a wet tensile strength in tap water of at least 40 g/in, and wherein the hydrophilic monomer is an acidic monomer comprising a carboxylic acid, a dicarboxylic acid, a sulfonic acid, a phosphonic acid or a mixture thereof.
2. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said fibers have a length of less than 5 cm.
3. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said fibers have a length of less than 2 cm.
4. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 comprising 50 to 98 percent by weight of fibers.
5. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 comprising 70 to 85 percent by weight of fibers.
6. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said material has a binder add-on of from 2 to 50 percent by weight.

7. cancelled.
8. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said binder further comprises at least one component selected from the group consisting of plasticizers, tackifiers, fillers, humectants, surfactants, salts, fragrances, pigments, titanium dioxide, and encapsulated components.
9. (original). The non-woven material of claim 1 having a web basis weight of from 20 to 200 gsm.
10. (original). A non-woven article comprising the non-woven material of claim 1.
11. (original). The non-woven article of claim 9 further comprising a lotion containing at least one ingredient selected from the group consisting of sodium chloride solution, preservatives, boric acid, bicarbonates, moisturizers, emollients, surfactants, humectants, alcohols, water, and fragrances.
12. (original). The non-woven article of claim 9 further comprising at least 0.5 percent by weight of inorganic salt, or a mixture of inorganic salts.